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For: METHOD FOR COMMONLY CONTROLLING DEVICE DRIVERS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and §§1.97 and 1.98 as amended, Applicant cites and describes the following art references.

1. Chinese Office Action; Application No. 03127712.8; issue date 14 January 2005.

PATENT REFERENCES:

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,282,586 to Bullough, entitled *METHOD IN AN OPERATING SYSTEM, A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPORTING MULTIPLE HARDWARE DEVICES FROM A SINGLE COMMUNICATIONS PORT*, issued on 28 August 2001.

DISCUSSION

Bullough'586 discloses an operating system for facilitating the execution of a communication

application typically comprised of a single port interface, a method for facilitating the interaction of the single port interface of the communication application with a plurality of hardware devices through the selection of corresponding and compatible port drivers is presented. A device driver router is designated as the port driver for evaluating conditions that exist among the possible target hardware devices. The device driver router initiates the loading of the determined port driver and hooks the responding port handle from the device driver. The device driver router modifies the port information structure of the device driver to enable the device driver router to perform the closing and unloading of the port driver. The port driver router substitutes its information structure with that of the determined port driver for use in communicating through the open port.

The citation of the foregoing references is not intended to constitute an assertion that other or more relevant art does not exist. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to make a wide-ranging and thorough search of the relevant art.

No fee is incurred by this Statement.

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	6,282,586		Bullough			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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